PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

UPPER HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

At a Convention of Assembly, begun and held at the City of U.H.J. Annapolis, on Wednesday the 13.th day of October, in the Third Liber No. 36 Year of the Dominion of the Right Honourable Henry Harford Oct. 13 Esq.^r, Anno Domini 1773.

Were Present

His Excellency Robert Eden Esq. Governor.

Benedict Calvert Esq.^r Daniel Dulany Esq.^r John Ridout Esq.^r The Honble George Steuart Esq. ** William Fitzhugh Esq.^r Daniel of S.t Tho.s Jenifer Esq.r George Plater Esq.^r

Mess.^{rs} Paca and Lloyd from the Lower House, acquaint His Excellency, that there are a sufficient number of Members met to make an House, and wait His Excellency's Commands.

Benedict Calvert and John Ridout Esquires are sent to acquaint the Members of the Lower House, that His Excellency requires their Attendance in the Upper House, immediately.

The Lower House attend, and His Excellency is pleased to make the following Speech.

Gentlemen of the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly.

Presuming this to be a Season convenient for a longer Session than the last, I shall recommend to your Consideration, sundry matters that appear to me necessary, and likely to be conducive to the general Welfare.

In a former Session, I recommended joining with our Sister p. 681 Colony of Virginia in the erection and support of a Light House on Cape Henry, and you seemed convinced of the necessity and utility thereof: it is my duty now to inform you, that two Acts of Assembly have been passed there, to carry this very important object into execution; copies of these Acts, and the Proceedings subsequent thereto, shall be laid before you.

Permit me to recommend to your reflections the extensive utility which cannot fail to flow from an establishment in this Province